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In re Patent Application Of:)
KORENJAK et al.)
Serial No.: New) Group Art Unit: Unknown)
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Title: AN AUTOMATIC MECHANICAL DECOMPRESSOR FOR AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE)))
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Attached is one (1) PTO-1449 sheet listing one (1) U.S. patent reference and four (4) foreign patent references. The foreign patents are non-English, and the Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the non-English foreign references. A statement of relevance is provided for the non-English foreign references:

- (1) DE 1949541 describes a decompression valve that is screwed into the cylinder head (11). It has a head (2) on the end of a shaft (3) which is fixed to a membrane (10) in a vacuum chamber (12). A passage (6) around the valve shaft (3) has an opening (7) to atmosphere and the space above the membrane is connected by a hose (16) to the suction manifold downstream of the carburetor. A spring (9) within the vacuum chamber pressing on the end of the shaft tends to open the valve. The spring opens the valve when the engine is stationary or being turned at low speed. As the speed increases, the pressure in the cylinder on the compression stroke and the vacuum above the membrane on the suction stroke close the valve.
- (2) SE 9702631 describes an engine having a cylinder (13) with a combustion chamber (18), a reciprocal piston in a cylinder and a crankshaft (11) rotatable in a crankcase. A valve housing (25) communicates with the cylinder via a gas outlet channel (21, 22). A valve component works with the valve seat for adjustment between open and closed positions.
- (3) DE 4000864 A1 describes a pneumatically controlled decompression system for an IC engine. It consists of a valve with a cone-shaped plate (32) and at the opposite end a membrane (2). Through the action of the membrane in the pressure housing (1) an over-pressure space (12) is formed on the side lying opposite to the negative pressure space (11).

(4) JP 61038162 describes how to reduce the pulling force of a starter by providing a decompression path coupling between the intake path and the cylinder while arranging a decompression valve in said path and opening said valve while interlocking with a recoil starter.

This IDS is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, <u>prompt</u> notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 Form, page 1, with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 are earnestly solicited along with an early action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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